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Titusville Amateur Radio Club

TARC NEWSLETTER

July 1990

President's Corner

Three cheers for the STALWARTS – these strong, sturdy, dedicated members who show up at every club event and make it succeed. We have a core of about 20 in our club that made our Field Day exercise an outstanding fun filled happening. I'll not list all the FD participants, but it included the following individuals who braved the howling winds, driving rain, roaring crowds, and god–awful danger to help at the Titusville JayCee's Fourth of July fireworks display: **Val – WB4ZUZ, Wynn – WB4ZUY, Ozzie – N4SCY, Bud – K4CWG, Les – K4SJC, Archie – WN3DHI, Dan – K3KS, Bruce – WA3EKM, Jeremy – KB4PRN,** and myself. These group endeavors are the most fun part of our ham radio hobby and also the most rewarding in providing a public service and improving our image.

We still want to increase the ham "population" in North Brevard by having Novice / Technician classes this fall. BCC lost some space at the Whispering Hills campus so we can't meet there. We'll come up with an alternative. Be thinking about how you can help teach this course, be an Elmer, or demonstrate various facets of our hobby to the newbies.

I'd like to request our few smokers to Not – Smoke at our meetings in the JayCee's building. If you can't survive our sometimes two hours meetings, you can take a break ourdoors. Thanks from an ex–three–pack–a–dayer!

The Editor's Desk by Doug Reed – N4QVY

There's not *any* room left this month! I've included a reservation form for tables at the Melbourne Hamfest on the back. Cut it out and mail it in. Dan will be expecting it. Remember to get your registration ticket **also**. You might pay for the table, but without the registration ticket, you won't be able to get to it.

Upcoming Events

> **July 24**, August 28 – next TARC meetings, 7 p.m., JayCees Building on Singleton Ave.
> Every Thursday night – TARC Friendship Net, 7 p.m., 146.91 MHz (–600).
> 3rd Saturday of each month – SBARC / ARRL exams, 9:30 a.m. registration, FIT room Q11 in The Quad (under ham radio mast). For info call Bill Newkirk, WB9IVR, phone 724–6183. See Doug Reed, N4QVY, for written map directions.
> **August 17 – Deadline** for articles to be included in the August edition of the *TARC Newsletter.*
> August 4, 5 – 17th Annual Greater Jacksonville Amateur Radio and Computer Show, Osborn Convention Center, $5.00. Info – phone (904) 350–9193.
> September 8, 9 – 25th Annual Melbourne Hamfest. See Les K4SJC for tickets and table info.

Officers

President: Bob Nedimeyer W4VQB 269–1878
Vice President: Dick Duell W9LSD 383–9733
Secretary: Doug Reed N4QVY 268–1934
Treasurer: Clyde Lee K4EOS 267–9375

Minutes of the June 6 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Bob, W4VQB, with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. Members introduced themselves. Doug, N4QVY, read the minutes from the previous month's meeting.

Bob made the following comments: He requested that comments and critiques concerning this year's Field Day be directed towards him sow that improvements could be recommended by the Executive Committee. The club will keep the post office box if there were no objections. None were noted. The club would reimburse miscellaneous club related expenses.

Les, K4SJC, gave the repeater report: Wayne, KB4YLY, is building a 440 Yagi antenna for use on the new repeater setup. The two meter receiver's sensitivity is 0.2 uV. The two meter omni receive antenna is installed on Herb Daniel's tower. Les thanked those who helped out with the antenna installation. The configuration of the new repeater was explained.

Pike, W4EPU, gave the TPD project report: Archie, WN3DHI, installed the antenna on the TPD radio tower located at the highway 50 location. 59 contacts were made in Cocoa and North Titusville. Archie made the antenna bracket. Bob thanked Pike and Archie for their help in this project.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to accept the minutes. Clyde, K4EOS, gave the treasury report: $383.65 in the bank account, $9.75

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Article / classified deadline is two Fridays prior to the date of the monthly meeting.

Articles may be given to the editor, Doug - N4QVY, at the IHOP on net nights, or left with Bud - K4CWG, where it will hopefully make its way to the aforementioned editor.

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Send checks to:
PCARS Hamfest
708 Dartmouth Ave.
Melbourne, FL 32901

Table Reservation Form

NAME _____ CALL _____

STREET _____

CITY _____ STATE ____ ZIP _____

Please reserve:

☐ 1 table for ☐ Saturday

☐ 2 tables for ☐ Sunday

☐ Both Days

$10 per table for one day, $15 per table for both days.
Limit 2 Adjacent Tables per Request
Advance Registration Ticket (SASE Only): $4 each
(also available from Les, K4SJC)

Table cost does not include registration ticket.

Minutes...

in petty cash. Clyde also mentioned that if there were any errors on the mailing labels this month to contact Bud, K4CWG, although either one could have made the mistake. A motion was made, seconded, and carried to accept the treasury report.

Field Day comments: Bruce, K4KON, requested that familiarization sheets detailing features of the different rigs used on Field Day be available due to the variety of rigs used. Pike thanked Archie for providing the 10 KW generator.

Bob noted that Bob Young, N4DQT, was not present and that he needed to contact him regarding the federal employee number. Doug mentioned that Bob Young had given him the employee number packet as received from the federal government.

Bob noted that classes this fall possibly would be taught at BCC. Dan, K3KS, mentioned that Tom, N4KFP, and John, W4RJV, had given a very good class in the past at the Whispering Hills campus. Bill, KB4VWE, commented that the class was good and that more people would come if there were a fee charged.

Val, WB4ZUZ, noted that there were some items left over from Field Day on the table by the wall. Clyde noted that he ended up with extra coax but was missing a screwdriver. A visitor to Field Day noted that with everyone wearing headphones, the entire conversations could not be heard.

Les gave info regarding the Melbourne hamfest. Bud passed around a current club roster and asked everyone to check their name for accuracy. A Melbourne hamfest ticket was donated to the club by PCARS as a door prize.

Archie noted that JayCee Fourth of July activities were being discussed at the Titusville City Council meeting that was currently in session and for all interested to monitor the repeater / net night.

There was no guest speaker.

Respectfully, Doug Reed, Secy.

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